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TRANSLATION INITIATION FACTOR 4AIII, AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(e) TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE FILED ON THE USPS DEPOSIT DATE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

For:

Applicants, through the undersigned agent, hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(e) to consider the Response to Restriction Requirement for this application, which was deposited with the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) by Express Mail on April 17, 2002, as being timely filed in the U.S. Patent and

Trademark Office (USPTO) on that same day. The following documents are submitted herewith in support of this Petition:

Exhibit A: a true copy of the original Response to Restriction

Requirement that was deposited in the U.S. Postal Service

(USPS) on April 17, 2002 and showing the Express Mail

number <u>EV 028 722 082 US;</u>

Exhibit B: a true copy of the original return receipt Postcard that was

submitted with the original Response to Restriction

Requirement on April 17, 2002 and also showing the Express

Mail number EV 028 722 082 US; and

Exhibit C: a true copy of the Express Mailing Label number

EV 028 722 082 US stamped by the USPS to indicated April

17, 2002 as the "date-in".

REMARKS

On November 5, 2002, Examiner Robert Zeman telephoned the undersigned agent and inquired as to whether a response had been filed to the Office Action mailed on March 20, 2002 for this application. Examiner Zeman informed the undersigned that no response had been received by the USPTO. Applicants thank Examiner Zeman for the courtesies extended in that telephone call, and respectfully point out that a response to the Office Action was timely filed for this matter. In particular, a Response to Restriction

Requirement (hereinafter referred to as the "Response") was deposited with the USPS by Express Mail on April 17, 2002 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10. Applicants' were not aware that the USPTO had no evidence of receiving that document until November 5, 2002, when Examiner Zeman telephoned the undersigned agent.

A true copy of the originally mailed Response is attached hereto at Exhibit Tab A. Also attached hereto, at Exhibit Tab B, is a true copy of a return receipt postcard that was mailed with the Response. The original postcard has not been returned by the USPTO. As can be seen by inspecting the attached copies, however, both the originally mailed Response and the postcard were imprinted with the number of the Express Mail mailing label EV 028 722 082 US. A true copy of the Express Mail mailing label EV 028 722 082 US is therefore provided here, at Exhibit Tab C. That label has been stamped by the USPS, showing April 17, 2002 as the "date-in" when the Express Mail envelope bearing that label and containing the original Response was deposited with the USPS.

Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner consider the Response to Restriction Requirement as having been timely

¹ Applicants point out that the original Response actually includes an Express Mail Certificate, imprinted with the above-mentioned Express Mail label number and signed by Angelina Dilullo, a docketing paralegal at Darby & Darby, P.C., certifying that on April 17, 2002 she actually deposited that document with the U.S. Postal Service, addressed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.1(a), by "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service.

filed in the USPTO on April 17, 2002 – the date when that document was deposited with the USPS.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 6, 2002

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Attachments (Exhibits A-C)

Return of this card properly stamped, will acknowledge receipt of:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT 1. (3 PAGES)

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: May 1, 2001

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